

distinguished English family, but that is not the purpose intended for the Church history. Later we find that Miss Sarah Applegarth married Alexander Brown, son of a pioneer family settled in Waterdown, and to her was given the section of land from just west of the Aldershot Post Office to the Church gate. On the corner of this property which is now part of St. Matthew's Cemetery, the first school was built. Among our papers we find a curious Bond, which states, I, William Applegarth am held and firmly bound unto the Trustees of the School established for 100. This Bond was written in 1831.

We shall leave this part of our history and describe the building of the Church. The nearest Anglican Church was St. Luke's at Burlington. Mr. and Mrs. Wya<sup>ll</sup> felt the need of a Church nearer home and began to collect money for this purpose. The first gift came from Lord Baying, England, in 1849. This gift of money was deposited for investment and accumulation with Hugh Baker of the "Canadian Life", and so well was it invested that when needed it had grown to ten Guineas (\$50.00). In 1885 Matthew Clark, Esq., brother-in-law of Mrs. Wyatt donated the 60 guineas. This was deposited but bore no interest. Later, gifts were sent by Mr. Clark of ten guineas, so that Matthew Clark contributed most of the money for building the Church. In a letter to Mrs. Wyatt he says, "I am sending you a 100 guineas for the completion of your intended Church upon the understanding that you have the entire control as to the site". And further, "your last letter stated it was to be close to your own property and this is one of my inducements for sending money."

During the year 1860 stone was purchased for the foundation

of the Church and lumber evidently for the window frames was obtained; but it was not until 1861 that a real start was made. Timbers were given by Mr. Douglas for beams and these had to be squared and ready for use. On the 5th of March, Samuel West contracted to erect the building for \$158.00. The prices for the various materials seem very low. We find that two men spent two days building a fence for \$2.00.

The Church was ready for use in September, 1861, and on the 22nd of September the opening services were held. A hand bill printed by the "Spectator Steam Press", as advertising the opening is kept in the Vestry. We wonder how and why certain names are chosen, and perhaps the name of St. Matthew's comes from two sources. First, the Church was opened and dedicated the day following St. Matthew's Day; second the name of Mr. Clark, the generous doner, was Matthew. The reasoning is bourne out, because we know that the home built by Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt was called "Herberton" after their grandson Herbert Marsh.

We come now to the first service in the Church which was conducted by Dr. Greene, Incumbent of St. Luke's, Wellington Square, now Burlington. His sermon was preached from a very appropriate text, "But as for me, I will come into thine house, even upon the multitude of the mercy: and in thy fear will I worship towards thy holy temple." (Psalm 5:7)

At Evensong the same day, the Rev. J. McKenzie, Rector of St. John's Church Hamilton (which was later dedicated to All Saints took a portion of a Psalm for a text. "Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house: and the place where thine honour dwelleth." (Psalm 26:8) The Rev. J. McKenzie